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HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday 5 November 2020

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport
(2) the Attorney General**
- 2 Urgent Question: Impact of new coronavirus regulations on the ability of terminally ill adults to travel abroad for an assisted death (Secretary Matt Hancock)**
- 3 Business Question (Leader of the House)**
- 4 Statements: (1) Economy update (Chancellor of the Exchequer)
(2) UK terrorism threat level (James Brokenshire)**

5 Plastic Pollution Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Mr Alistair Carmichael, supported by Caroline Lucas, Dr Matthew Offord, Wera Hobhouse, Ben Lake, Lloyd Russell-Moyle, Stephen Timms, Chris Loder and Geraint Davies, presented a Bill to set targets for the reduction of plastic pollution; to require the Secretary of State to publish a strategy and annual reports on plastic pollution reduction; to establish an advisory committee on plastic pollution; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 January 2021, and to be printed (Bill 207).

6 Backbench business

(1) Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme

Resolved, That this House believes the Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme is not adequately fulfilling its role for SMEs across the UK; and urges Government intervention to ensure that all

businesses are provided with the financial support they need.—(*Owen Thompson.*)

(2) The UK Government's role in ensuring innovation and equitable access to treatment within the international COVID-19 response

Resolved, That this House has considered the UK Government's role in ensuring innovation and equitable access to treatment within the international COVID-19 response.—(*Wendy Chamberlain.*)

7 Adjournment

Subject: Offshore wind transmission connections (Duncan Baker)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(*James Morris.*)

At 5.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*James Morris.*)

Adjourned at 5.27 pm until Monday 9
November.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

8 Environment Bill Committee

Sir George Howarth (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

9 Pension Schemes Bill [Lords] Committee

Mr Laurence Robertson (Chair) reported

(1) written evidence submitted to the Committee; and

(2) the Bill, with amendments.

Written evidence to be published.

Bill, as amended, to be considered on Monday 9 November; and to be printed (Bill 208).

10Tenth Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Philip Hollobone (Chair) reported the draft Sanctions (EU Exit) (Consequential Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

General Committees: Appointments

The Speaker appoints the Chair of General Committees and members of Programming Sub-Committees, and allocates Statutory Instruments to Delegated Legislation Committees.

The Committee of Selection nominates Members to serve on General Committees (and certain Members to serve on Grand Committees).

11Forensic Science Regulator and Biometrics Strategy Bill Committee

Chair: Ms Angela Eagle

12First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Sir David Amess

**13 Second Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Pesticides (Amendment) (EU Exit)
Regulations 2020 and draft Persistent
Organic Pollutants (Amendment) (EU Exit)
Regulations 2020)**

Chair: Steve McCabe

**14 Third Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Definition of Qualifying Northern
Ireland Goods (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)**

Chair: Mrs Maria Miller

**15 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Non-Domestic Rating (Rates
Retention, Levy and Safety Net and Levy
Account: Basis of Distribution) (Amendment)
Regulations 2020)**

Chair: Rushanara Ali

**16 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Electronic Communications and
Wireless Telegraphy (Amendment)
(European Electronic Communications Code
and EU Exit) Regulations 2020)**

Chair: Dr Rupa Huq

**17Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Environment and Wildlife
(Miscellaneous Amendments etc.) (EU Exit)
Regulations 2020)**

Chair: Philip Davies

**18Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Organic Products (Production
and Control) (Amendment) (EU Exit)
Regulations 2020 and draft Genetically
Modified Organisms (Amendment) (EU Exit)
Regulations 2020)**

Chair: Peter Dowd

**19Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Public Procurement (Amendment etc.)
(EU Exit) Regulations 2020)**

Chair: Mr Philip Hollobone

**20Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Road Vehicles and Non-Road Mobile
Machinery (Type-Approval) (Amendment)
(EU Exit) Regulations 2020, draft New Heavy
Duty Vehicles (Carbon Dioxide Emission
Performance Standards) (Amendment)
(EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and draft
Road Vehicle Carbon Dioxide Emission**

Performance Standards (Cars and Vans) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Christina Rees

Reports from Select Committees

21 Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 12 November in the Chamber and on Thursday 19 November in Westminster Hall (Ian Mearns).

22 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

(1) *Forced labour in UK value chains*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 890);

(2) *Correspondence with Rt Hon. Gordon Brown relating to the BiFab contract*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Post-pandemic economic growth: Levelling up — local and regional structures and the delivery of economic growth*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 675);

(4) *UK Emissions Trading System Common Framework*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 810)

(Darren Jones).

23 Petitions Committee and Women and Equalities Committee

Black history and cultural diversity in the curriculum: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 893) (Catherine McKinnell).

24 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *COVID-19: Bounce Back Loans*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 687);

(2) *Department for Transport recall*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 850);

(3) *Home Office recall*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 678)

(Meg Hillier).

25 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Data transparency and accountability: COVID-19: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 803) (Mr William Wragg).

26 Welsh Affairs Committee

Brexit and trade: implications for Wales: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 176) (Stephen Crabb).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.30 pm.

Business determined by the Backbench Business Committee (Standing Orders Nos. 10(7) and 14(4))

1 Effect of the COVID-19 outbreak on people experiencing baby loss

Resolved, That this House has considered the effect of the COVID-19 outbreak on people experiencing baby loss.—(*Cherilyn Mackrory*.)

Liaison Committee business (Standing Order No. 10(7))

2 COVID-19 and food supply

Resolved, That this House has considered the First Report of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee, COVID-19 and food supply, HC 263, and the Government response, HC 841.—(*Neil Parish*.)

3 Sitting adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

Adjourned at 4.22 pm until Monday 9
November.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Education

Education (Student Fees, Awards and Support etc.) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1203), dated 3 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Michelle Donelan)

2 Electricity

Electricity Storage Facilities (Exemption) (England and Wales) Order 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1217), dated 4 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Kwasi Kwarteng)

3 Local Government

Local Authorities (Collection Fund: Surplus and Deficit) (Coronavirus) (England) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1202), dated 3 November 2020 (by Act), with an

Explanatory Memorandum (by Command)
(Luke Hall)

4 London Government

Greater London Authority (Consolidated
Council Tax Requirement Procedure)
Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1206), dated
3 November 2020 (by Act), with an
Explanatory Memorandum (by Command)
(Luke Hall)

Other papers

5 Climate Change

Explanatory Memorandum to the draft
Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme
Order 2020 (laid 13 July) (by Command)
(Secretary Alok Sharma)

6 Companies

Report on Auditors General for 2019–20 by
the Independent Supervisor (by Act), to be
printed (HC 817) (Secretary Alok Sharma)

7 Coroners and Justice

Sixth Report, for 2018–19, and Seventh Report, for 2019–20, of the Chief Coroner to the Lord Chancellor (by Act) (Secretary Robert Buckland)

8 Criminal Injuries Compensation

Report and Accounts of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 719) (Secretary Robert Buckland)

9 Exiting the European Union (Sanctions)

Explanatory Memorandum to the Sanctions (EU Exit) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 4) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 951) (laid 8 September) (by Command) (Nigel Adams)

10 Financial Services and Markets

Report and Accounts of the Financial Ombudsman Service for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 758) (John Glen)

11 Government Resources and Accounts

(1) Consolidated Report and Accounts of Department for Education for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 865) (Jesse Norman)

(2) Report and Accounts of HM Revenue and Customs for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 891) (Jesse Norman)

(3) Report and Accounts of the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 929) (Jesse Norman)

(4) Report and Accounts of Revenue and Customs Digital Technology Services for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 828) (Jesse Norman)

12 Housing and Regeneration

Report and Financial Statements of Homes England for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act),

to be printed (HC 866) (Secretary Robert Jenrick)

13 Income Tax

Explanatory Memorandum to the Coronavirus Life Assurance Scheme (Northern Irish Scheme) (Excluded Benefits for Tax Purposes) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1198) (laid 3 November) (by Command) (John Glen)

14 Local Government Finance

(1) Levy Account for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 802) (Secretary Robert Jenrick)

(2) Main Non-Domestic Rating Account for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 801) (Secretary Robert Jenrick)

15 National Heritage

Report and Accounts of the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General

(by Act), to be printed (HC 846) (Secretary George Eustice)

Withdrawn papers

16 Climate Change

Explanatory Memorandum to the draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme Order 2020 (laid 13 July)

17 Exiting the European Union (Sanctions)

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18 Income Tax

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SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1. New pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of the Standing Order (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the Members listed in the table below are eligible to have a proxy vote cast on their behalf by the nominated proxies listed in the table below, starting on the dates specified below and ending on Tuesday 30 March 2021, unless the arrangement is ended or the House otherwise orders.

Member	From	Proxy
Dawn Butler	9 November 2020	Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Lia Nici	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew

Martin	9 November	Stuart
Vickers	2020	Andrew
Chris	9 November	Stuart
Skidmore	2020	Andrew
Florence	9 November	Chris Elmore
Eshalomi	2020	
Andrea	9 November	Stuart
Jenkyns	2020	Andrew
Mr Laurence	9 November	Stuart
Robertson	2020	Andrew
Craig	9 November	Stuart
Williams	2020	Andrew
John Lamont	9 November	Stuart
	2020	Andrew
Jane Hunt	9 November	Stuart
	2020	Andrew
Victoria	9 November	Stuart
Atkins	2020	Andrew
Robert	9 November	Stuart
Buckland	2020	Andrew
Scott Benton	9 November	Stuart
	2020	Andrew
Matt	9 November	Stuart
Hancock	2020	Andrew
Daniel	9 November	Stuart
Kawczynski	2020	Andrew

Nadhim Zahawi	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Chris Philp	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Nicola Richards	23 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Judith Cummins	9 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Karen Bradley	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Alexander Stafford	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Ms Nadine Dorries	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Kemi Badenoch	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Oliver Dowden	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Michael Gove	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Vicky Ford	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Mike Hill	9 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Matt Warman	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew

David Mundell	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
James Cleverly	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Nick Smith	9 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Wendy Morton	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Gillian Keegan	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Julie Marson	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Alun Cairns	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Chris Clarkson	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Jesse Norman	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Shabana Mahmood	9 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Alex Burghart	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
George Freeman	9 November 2020	Bim Afolami
Emma Hardy	9 November 2020	Chris Elmore

Ben Bradley	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Nigel Adams	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Helen Whately	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Kit Malthouse	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Stuart C McDonald	9 November 2020	Patrick Grady
Sir Robert Neill	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Robert Jenrick	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Dr Thérèse Coffey	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Rachel Maclean	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Mr Robert Goodwill	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Richard Drax	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Julia Lopez	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Dr Luke Evans	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew

Elizabeth Truss	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
James Duddridge	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Rebecca Long Bailey	9 November 2020	Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Kwasi Kwarteng	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
James Daly	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Caroline Dinenage	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Nigel Mills	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Mr Jack Alister	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Jacob Young	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Andrew Rosindell	9 November 2020	Rebecca Harris
Nigel Huddleston	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Damian Hinds	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Jeremy Quin	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew

Mark Eastwood	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Grant Shapps	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Brendan Clarke-Smith	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
George Eustice	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Jane Stevenson	9 November 2020	Stuart Andrew

2. Variation of existing pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of the Standing Order (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the following Members have given notice that they wish to amend their proxy voting arrangement. From 9 November:

the nominated proxy for Geraint Davies will be Chris Evans instead of Dawn Butler;

the nominated proxy for Kate Osborne will be Bell Ribeiro-Addy instead of Chris Elmore;

the nominated proxy for Jon Trickett will be Bell Ribeiro-Addy instead of Dawn Butler;
and

the nominated proxy for Ian Lavery will be Bell Ribeiro-Addy instead of Kate Osborne.

3. Ending pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of the Standing Order (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the following Member has given notice that she wishes to end her proxy voting arrangement with effect from when the Speaker takes the Chair on the date specified below:

Member	From
Debbie Abrahams	9 November 2020

CORRECTION

Monday 2 November 2020

The Speaker's Certificate relating to the variation of an existing pandemic proxy voting arrangement should not have appeared.